

Exhibit A

Proposed Interim Order

**IN THE UNITED STATES BANKRUPTCY COURT
FOR THE DISTRICT OF DELAWARE**

In re

TPC GROUP INC., et al.,

Debtors.¹

Chapter 11

Case No. 22-10493 (____)

Joint Administration Requested

**INTERIM ORDER (I) AUTHORIZING DEBTORS TO PAY CERTAIN PREPETITION
TAXES AND ASSESSMENTS AND (II) GRANTING RELATED RELIEF**

Upon the motion (“Motion”),² of the above-captioned debtors (collectively, the “Debtors”) for entry of an interim order (this “Order” or the “Interim Order”) and final order, for (i) authority to pay (or use tax credits to offset) certain prepetition Taxes and (ii) related relief, pursuant to sections 363(b), 507(a), 541(d), and 105(a) of the Bankruptcy Code, as more fully set forth in the Motion; and the Court having jurisdiction to consider the Motion and the relief requested therein pursuant to 28 U.S.C. §§ 157 and 1334; and consideration of the Motion and the requested relief being a core proceeding pursuant to 28 U.S.C. § 157(b); and it appearing that venue is proper before this Court pursuant to 28 U.S.C. §§ 1408 and 1409; and due and proper notice of the Motion having been provided; and it appearing that no other or further notice need be provided; and the Court having reviewed the Motion; and the Court having held a hearing on the Motion; and all objections, if any, to the Motion, having been withdrawn, resolved, or overruled; and the Court having determined that the legal and factual bases set forth in the Motion establish just cause for

¹ The Debtors in these chapter 11 cases, along with the last four digits of each Debtor’s federal tax identification number, are: TPC Group Inc. (3618); TPC Holdings, Inc. (7380); TPC Group LLC (8313); Texas Butylene Chemical Corporation (7440); Texas Olefins Domestic International Sales Corporation (4241); TPC Phoenix Fuels LLC (9133); Port Neches Fuels, LLC (1641); and TP Capital Corp. (6248). Each Debtor’s corporate headquarters and mailing address is 500 Dallas St., Suite 2000, Houston, Texas 77002.

² Capitalized terms used but not otherwise defined herein have the meanings ascribed to them in the Motion.

the relief granted herein; and it appearing that the relief requested in the Motion is in the best interests of the Debtors and their respective estates and creditors; and upon all of the proceedings had before the Court and after due deliberation and sufficient cause appearing therefor,

IT IS HEREBY ORDERED THAT:

1. This Motion is GRANTED on an INTERIM BASIS as set forth in this Interim Order.

2. Subject to the terms and conditions of this Interim Order, the Debtors are authorized but not directed, pursuant to sections 363(b), 507(a), 541(d), and 105(a) of the Bankruptcy Code, to pay (or use tax credits to offset) all prepetition Taxes due and owing to the Taxing Authorities including, without limitation, those Taxing Authorities listed on **Exhibit 1** annexed hereto, that arose prior to the Petition Date, including all Taxes subsequently determined upon audit or otherwise to be owed for periods prior to the Petition Date, in an aggregate amount not to exceed \$1,040,000.

3. The Banks are authorized and directed to receive, process, honor, and pay any and all checks issued, or to be issued, and electronic funds transfer requested, or to be requested, by the Debtors relating to the obligations, to the extent that sufficient funds are on deposit in available funds in the applicable bank accounts to cover such payments. The Banks are authorized and directed to accept and rely on all representations made by the Debtors with respect to which checks, drafts, wires, or automated clearing house transfers should be honored or dishonored in accordance with this or any other order of this Court, whether such checks, drafts, wires, or transfers are dated prior to, on, or subsequent to the Petition Date, without any duty to inquire otherwise.

4. The Debtors are further authorized to issue postpetition checks, or to effect postpetition funds transfer requests, in replacement of any checks or funds transfer requests that

are dishonored as a consequence of these chapter 11 cases with respect to any prepetition amounts that are authorized to be paid pursuant to this Order.

5. If any party accepts payment from the Debtors on account of a Tax obligation pursuant to this Order, and it is later determined by the Court after notice and a hearing that the Debtors' interests in such payment constitute property of the Debtors' estates, the Debtors are authorized to seek at such hearing to avoid such payment as a postpetition transfer under section 549 of the Bankruptcy Code.

6. Notwithstanding anything in the Motion or this Interim Order to the contrary, (a) any payment made or authorization hereunder shall be subject in all respects to the terms and conditions of any orders of this Court authorizing the Debtors to obtain debtor-in-possession financing and/or use cash collateral in these chapter 11 cases (as may be modified, amended, or supplemented, the "**DIP Orders**"), including, without limitation, any budget in connection therewith, and (b) to the extent there is any inconsistency between the terms of the DIP Orders and the Motion or this Interim Order, the terms and conditions of such DIP Orders shall control.

7. Nothing contained in this Order or any payment made pursuant to the authority granted by this Order is intended to be or shall be deemed as (i) an admission as to the validity of any claim against the Debtors, (ii) a waiver of the Debtors' or any appropriate party-in-interest's rights to dispute the amount of, basis for, or validity of any claim, (iii) a waiver of the Debtors' or any other party-in-interest's rights under the Bankruptcy Code or any other applicable nonbankruptcy law, or (iv) an approval, adoption, assumption, or rejection of any agreement, contract, program, policy, or lease under section 365 of the Bankruptcy Code.

8. The requirements of Bankruptcy Rule 6003(b) have been satisfied.

9. Under the circumstances of these chapter 11 cases, notice of the Motion is adequate under Bankruptcy Rule 6004(a).

10. Notwithstanding the provisions of Bankruptcy Rule 6004(h), this Interim Order shall be immediately effective and enforceable upon its entry.

11. Notwithstanding entry of this Interim Order, nothing herein shall create, nor is intended to create, any rights in favor of or enhance the status of any claim held by, any party.

12. Responses or objections to the Motion and entry of a final order with respect to the Motion must: (a) be made in writing; (b) state with particularity the grounds therefor; (c) conform to the Bankruptcy Rules and the Local Rules; and (d) be served upon (i) proposed counsel to the Debtors, Baker Botts LLP, 2001 Ross Avenue, Suite 900, Dallas, Texas 75201-2980, Attn: Jim R. Prince (jim.prince@bakerbotts.com), Scott R. Bowling (scott.bowling@bakerbotts.com), David R. Eastlake (david.eastlake@bakerbotts.com), Lauren N. Randle (lauren.randle@bakerbotts.com), and Kevin Chiu (kevin.chiu@bakerbotts.com) and Morris, Nichols, Arsht & Tunnell LLP, 1201 N. Market Street, 16th Floor, P.O. Box 1347, Wilmington, Delaware, 19899-1347, Attn: Robert J. Dehney (rdehney@morrisnichols.com) and Curtis S. Miller (cmiller@morrisnichols.com); (ii) the Office of the United States Trustee for the District of Delaware, 844 N. King Street, Wilmington, Delaware 19801, Attn: Rosa Sierra-Fox (rosa.sierra-fox@usdoj.gov); and (iii) the Notice Parties.

13. The deadline by which responses or objections to the Motion and the final order must be filed and received by the Notice Parties is _____, 2022 at 4:00 p.m. (prevailing Eastern Time). A final hearing, if required, on the Motion will be held on _____, 2022 at _____ (prevailing Eastern Time). If no responses or objections are filed to the Motion and entry of this Interim Order on a final basis, the Court may enter a final order without further notice or a hearing.

14. The Debtors are authorized to take all steps necessary or appropriate to carry out the relief granted in this Interim Order.

15. This Court shall retain jurisdiction to hear and determine all matters arising from or related to the implementation, interpretation, or enforcement of this Interim Order.

Exhibit 1

List of Taxing Authorities

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Taxing Authority	Type of Tax	Address
Barbers Hills ISD	Property Taxes	PO Box 1108 Mont Belvieu, TX 77580
Brazoria County Tax Assessor-Collector	Property Taxes	PO Box 1586 Lake Jackson, TX 77566
Calcasieu Parish Sheriff & Tax Collector	Property Taxes	P.O. Box 1450 Lake Charles, LA 70602-1450
Chambers County Tax Collector	Property Taxes	PO Box 519 405 S Main St Anahuac, TX 77514
Clear Creek ISD Tax Office	Property Taxes	PO Box 799 League City, TX 77574-0799
CT Corporation ¹	Regulatory Assessments and Other Taxes	PO Box 4349 Carol Stream IL 60197-4349
Cypress-Fairbanks ISD Tax Assessor-Collector	Property Taxes	10494 Jones Rd, Suite 106 Houston, TX 77065
Galveston County Tax Collector	Property Taxes	722 Moody Galveston, TX 77550
Goose Creek CISD Tax Services	Property Taxes	PO Box 2805 Baytown, TX 77522
Gregg County Tax Assessor-Collector	Property Taxes	101 E Methvin St # 215 Longview, TX 75601
Harris County Tax Assessor-Collector	Property Taxes	PO Box 799 League City, TX 77574-0799
Harris Galveston Subsidence District	Regulatory Assessments and Other Taxes	1660 W Bay Area Blvd Friendswood, Tx 77546
Internal Revenue Services	Income Taxes	Department of the Treasury, Internal Revenue Service Ogden, UT 84201-0012
Jefferson County Tax Assessor-Collector	Property Taxes	PO Box 2112 Beaumont, TX 77704-2112
Louisiana Department of Environmental Quality	Regulatory Assessments and Other Taxes	Po Box 82281 Baton Rouge, LA 70884-2281
Louisiana Department of Revenue	Franchise Taxes	617 N 3rd St Baton Rouge, LA 70802

¹ While not a direct Taxing Authority, CT Corporation receives payment from the Debtors to serve as a registered agent to facilitate statutory periodic reporting in Delaware, Louisiana and Texas.

Pasadena ISD	Property Taxes	PO Box 1318 Pasadena, TX 77501-1318
Pine Tree ISD	Property Taxes	PO Box 5878 Longview, TX 75608
Port Neches-Groves ISD	Property Taxes	620 Avenue C Port Neches, TX 77651
Sheldon ISD - Tax Collector	Property Taxes	11411 C.E. King Parkway Suite A Houston, TX 77044-7192
Spring Branch ISD Tax Assessor/Collector	Property Taxes	PO Box 19037 Houston, TX 77224-9037
State of Delaware, Delaware Department of State ²	Franchise Taxes	The Delaware Department of State, Division of Corporations PO Box 898 Dover, DE 19903
Texas City ISD	Property Taxes	PO Box 48 Houston, TX 77001-0048
Texas Commission on Environmental Quality	Regulatory Assessments and Other Taxes	PO Box 13089 Austin Tx, 78711
Texas Comptroller of Public Accounts	Sales and Use Taxes	Lyndon B. Johnson State Office Building 111 East 17th Street Austin, Texas 78774
Texas Department of State Health Services	Regulatory Assessments and Other Taxes	PO Box 12190 Austin Tx, 78711
U.S. Customs and Border Protection	Import and Customs Duties	PO Box 530071 Atlanta, GA 30353-0071

² In the ordinary course of business, the Debtors pay CT Corporation to facilitate electronic filing of annual domestic Franchise Tax returns to the State of Delaware, including payment of any Franchise Taxes owed.